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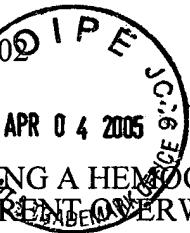
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For: PRESERVING A HEMOGLOBIN BLOOD SUBSTITUTE WITH A TRANSPARENT OVERWRAP

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

[] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.

[] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(COL. 1)	(COL. 2)	(COL. 3)	SMALL ENTITY	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	
TOTAL	9	MINUS	* 20	0	X \$25 \$
INDEP					
	2	MINUS	** 3	0	X \$100 \$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					
				+ \$180 \$	+ \$360 \$ 0

* not fewer than 20

** not fewer than 3

TOTAL = \$ 0

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Petition for Extension of Time

Applicant hereby petitions to extend the time to respond to the Office Action dated October 1, 2004 for three month(s) from January 1, 2005 to April 1, 2005. The appropriate fee of \$1,020.00 is included in the enclosed check.

A [] month extension of time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated [] was filed on [] with payment of a \$[] fee

Applicant hereby petitions for an additional [] month extension of time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts. The appropriate fee of \$[] is included in the enclosed check.

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Petition for [] month Extension of Time	\$ _____
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		TOTAL: \$ <u> 1150 </u>

A general authorization is hereby granted to charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 for any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 in order to maintain pendency of this application. A copy of this authorization is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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